CHAPTER III
I think, therefore I have.

I GUESS YOU COULD SAY WE'RE TRAVELLING TO 'EVERY-WHERE'.
WELL,
IS THAT SO?
THAT SEEMS QUITE EXCITING.
UH... YEAH.
Smile Smile
HEHE.
DO I REALLY LOOK EXACTLY LIKE HER?
YEAH... EVERYTHING FROM THE HAIR, TO THE FACE...
BUT...
.....
THE VOICE...

Whenever she "speaks", I can feel the modest warmth and gentleness of her heart...
Hazuki-chan...
As she calls out my name...
EH...?
HAZUKI... SAN.
FUJIHIME'S WHISPERING TO ME THAT THE "HATSUMI" I'M LOOKING FOR ISN'T HERE.

...HUH?
SHOULD IT NOT BE HAZUKI?
WH...WHAT IS...
MY NAME?
WHY IS SHE IN MY DEEPEST THOUGHTS?
I ENDED UP USING "HAZUKI".
.....
EARLIER, I TOLD MEILIN "HAZUKI" WAS MY NAME,
BUT WHEN I THINK HARD ABOUT IT, "HAZUKI" WAS THAT GIRL.

Do you think got hurt somewhere?
?
I can't say...
THEN, WHAT IS "MY" NAME?"
If Hatsumi calls me "chan", then I'm a "she"?"
Hazuki-chan.
IS "HAZUKI" REALLY MY TRUE NAME?
THEN MY TRUE FORM WOULD BE... NO.

TL NOTE: AGAIN WITH THE GENDERED PRONOUN. ALTERNATIVELY, IT WOULD PROBABLY BE "IF HATSUMI CALLS ME THAT, THEN I'M NOT A GUY?" EDITORS NOTE: SEXUAL CONFUSION YEY =)

TL NOTE: IT IS IMPORTANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT HE IS USING THE WORD "BOKU" A MASCULINE PRONOUN FOR "I"

HA-ZU-KI! WHY'D YA GET ALL GLOOMY!?
WAH!
STOP THINKIN' TOO HARD! ♪
OUCHHH-
HEY! YOU DON'T HAVE TIME TO SIT AROUND AND WORRY, RIGHT?
...YEAH.
YOU GOTTA FIND THOSE MISSING THINGS, DON'TCHA?
YEAH...
WELL, THEN, GET GOIN'!

TAP
MEIRIN...
FUJIHIME...
WE WILL BE HERE, WATCHING OVER YOU,
SO DON'T GIVE UP, HAZUKI!
OTHERWISE, GOING HOME WILL BE POINTLESS.

With so much to search, what can we do?
Still, we're having so much trouble finding the fragments...
Hazuki...
When will we meet again...?
Then, who am I?
Won't someone tell me, please?!
After that,
Hey!!!
Eh?
That shadow-person,
Isn't she part of Onii-san's group?
You're right... Isn't she "Hazuki", the girl that was seperated from us earlier?!
♪

Because-
I'm still worried about that girl
■♥□☆※
Eh? What's wrong?
Is she trying to find a way to return to her original world?
What's with that girl?
Probably
She's definitely a different person than Onii-san
OH?
WHY'S IT ALWAYS COME TO THIS?
TAP TAP
TAP TAP

Tap
Tap
Tap
Tap
GYAAAH!!
stare
GET OUTTA MY WAY!
I'M IN A HURRY!
Dash
Hey!!
That's the girl...
That cosplayer...
Don't raise my ire-
How dare she take up such a tone?!
Wait, Ummm- there-
RIGHT...
MY NAME IS AAYA.

Look!
Name:
Koge Chibi.
by Aaya.
Don't change people's names just for your own enjoyment!
AND YOUR NAME, BECAUSE OF YOUR DARK CLOTHES, IS "KOGE*".
Koge?
AND THIS GIRL IS SO SMALL, THEREFORE, HER NAME IS "CHIBI"...
THE TWO OF YOU COMBINED IS "KOGECHIBI"!!
More than just my name
Eh~ but I don't want to be called that
I don't know who I am!
UHHH, I'M IN A HURRY...
SO BYE.
ONE OF THE GUARDIANS.
I'LL TELL YOU ONE THING,
YOU'RE...

*Koge pretty much means Burnt

Huh? Guardian?
Yeah, and the one who's in charge of this whole universe-in-a-library is called "Yami".
Numerous other guardians are its parthenogenic offspring.
The hat that 'that girl' is wearing is your leader, Jo-Hali.
Guardians that drift away after their creation by the mother-body of hat, Jo-Hali,
are known as "The Lost Guard"

IN YOUR HOME-WORLD, YOU, THE GUARDIANS, COULD ONLY RELY ON HAZUKI.
SO, THAT'S WHAT YOU ARE, KOGE!
.....
HAHA!
DON'T BELIEVE ME, DO YOU?
You think I'm stupid?
THE JOBS OF A GUARDIAN ARE,
"TO ELIMINATE ANY WHO TRANSPASSES IN THIS LI-BRARY," AND,
"TO PROTECT EVE!"
KOGE AND HAZUKI WILL BE DOING THAT VERY SOON.

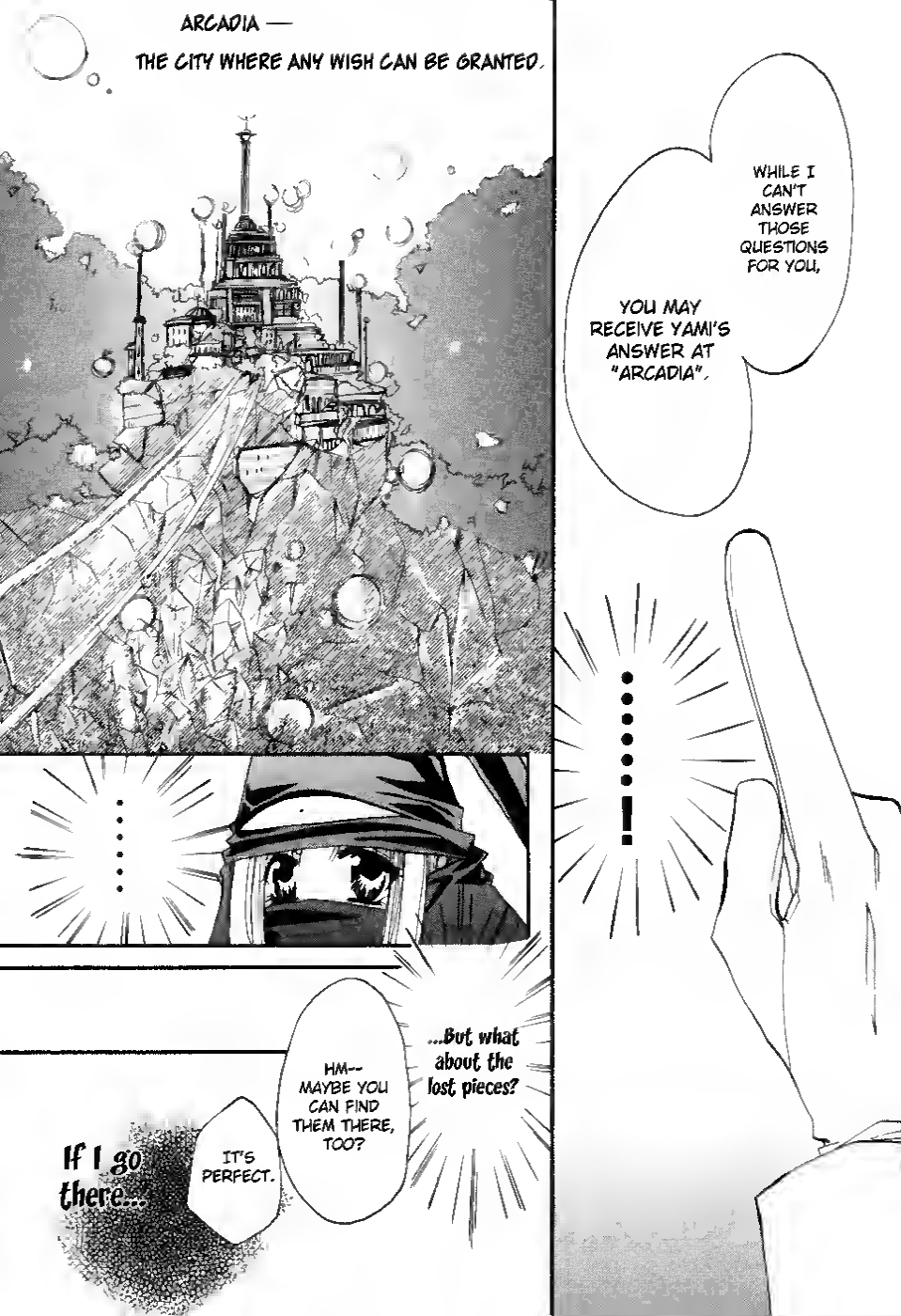
...so I know this Eve-girl?
?
!!
Eve...?
?
?
The goddess who created humanity together with Adam
It is said that she has enough power to control the world.
Eve has the power to call for soma,
What are you talking about?
You have always known her!
Huh?
Can... Can it be?
She has been roaming everywhere throughout the different worlds in the books

YUP!
Ha--Hatsumi?
So Eve is wearing me right now?
WHETHER IT'S "HATSUMI", THIS "CHIBI" HERE, OR "FUJIHIME" FROM THAT OTHER WORLD, THEY'RE ALL AVATARS OF EVE.
AH, ON TOP OF THAT,
SHE...
SHE WANTS YOU TO UNDER-STAND, AS A GUARDIAN,
THAT YOU HAVE TO PROTECT YOURSELF
MOREOVER-
HAVE YOU FOUND THE MISSING PIECES OF YOUR HOMEWORLD?
THEN,
HURRY UP!
No...
Not yet...

ACTUALLY, THE OTHER 'EVES' CANNOT FOCUS THEIR POWER BECAUSE OF THE MISSING PIECES.
Eve's missing pieces?
WORLDS WHICH HAVE BECOME BROKEN AND LOST ARE "EVE'S MISSING PIECES",
AND THEY SEAL EVE AND HATSUMI'S POWER.
I was pretty sure that there were some pages missing in that book ...
.....
...then, Hatsumi...
Yet, this was only "Hazuki's feelings".
I've always loved everything about Hatsumi, so I wished to protect her.

PUSH
Eh?
Hey...
Hey!!!
I'm nothing but a freeloader.
I don't want pity, just leave me alone!
!
Then why not just search with Hazuki tagging along?
...eh?
MELT

...Then tell me,
What reason do I have to search for those missing pieces?
KOGE?
.....
The desire to rebuild that world only comes from Hazuki. After I find them, I will have lost all purpose in life, right?
After all,
SNIFF
My feelings for Eve are just copies, aren't they?
Then, why should I—
—KOGE!


ARCADIA —
THE CITY WHERE ANY WISH CAN BE GRANTED.
WHILE I CAN'T ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS FOR YOU,
YOU MAY RECEIVE YAMI'S ANSWER AT "ARCADIA".
!
...But what about the lost pieces?
HM-- MAYBE YOU CAN FIND THEM THERE, TOO?
IT'S PERFECT.
If I go there...

HERE WE GO, ARCADIA.
THERE, YOU MAY BE able TO FIND THE MEANING OF YOUR LIFE, AND THE ONES WHO NEED YOU.
Arcadia
HEY
.....
Onii-san, what's wrong?
WHY AM I INSIDE HAZUKI'S BODY?

We have to hurry and get to our destination, right?
It doesn't seem like my consciousness went too far to find a body
AND WHERE'S CHIBI?
She's taking a nap in your pocket
OH.
SAY, IS THIS THE RIGHT WAY?
If this is where "any wish can be granted,"
Then, can't Onii-san just wish he was where he wanted to go already?
.....
Hmmm, it feels like this place is being warped

MORE OR LESS.
HAHAHA... TO BE RULING THIS PLACE, THAT GUY IS REALLY AN ECCENTRIC GOVERNOR.
ACHOO!
DAMN.
THE RULER OF ARCADIA, GARGANTUA.
There there...
There's just a right place for you.
Oh~ You have a cold?

Good Afternoon.♡
LILITH-SAMA.

How has your new city been coming along?
HAHA, THANKS TO YAMI AND LILITH'S POWER, IT'S GOING GREAT!
Ah, is that so~
Then...
Have you acquired Eve's lost fragments?
THAT, NOT YET, MY UNDERLINGS ARE USELESS.
I APOLOGIZE.
Is that so?
So this guy is all talk afterall...
IT'S NOT JUST YOUR UNDERLINGS, BUT YOU'RE USELESS AS WELL.

Ah....
Ah... What? What's with... My body...
DOKU
DOKU
Kyaaa!!
S-Stop!
My body... can't move.
DOKU
Ah... can it be... that scent?
Drop

Ah...
Jo-kun, what are you doing?!
Grope
Grope
What should I do? I can't control it!
Yaaaaa!!
THE INCENSE CONTAINS THE EVILNESS THAT BOUNDS THE POWER OF THE GREAT LILITH. JO=HALI IS GOING WILD.

Unh! You traitor!!! Gargantua!!!
TRAITOR?
WHAT A FUNNY THING YOU JUST SAID!
I HAVE MERELY,
FOUND WAYS TO UTILIZE THIS POWER BETTER THAN YOU.
DON'T YOU THINK IT'S BETTER,
TO MAKE THE FULL USE OF YAMI'S POWERS?

A... Also,
If you use Yami's power on Eve's lost pieces, something truly terrible will happen!
Having the ability to fulfill any wish,
is more than what any single person deserves.
You don't believe that,
I can fulfill any of my wishes?
OF COURSE.
YAMI'S VESSEL OF POWER EXISTS FOR THE GRANTING OF MY WISH!

That's right...
I've always hoped
and wished...
My special someone would reach out his hands-
You're making me very happy.
WHAT?!
ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME?
No, it's true.
Hmmph

Yami!
EH?
Onii-san? What's wrong?

NO... I THOUGHT I HEARD A WOMAN'S VOICE.
What're you talking about?
SHE...
SHE KEEPS SAYING "YAMI"
Yami!
...BUT, WHO IS IT?
Who knows?
THE SOUND I HEARD, WAS TERRIBLY SORROW-FUL.
WELL, RIGHT NOW WE HAVE TO HURRY!!

IT SOUNDS LIKE A LOST CHILD...
CRYING FOR HER PARENTS...
THEN, LET ME EXPLORE THE DEPTHS OF YOUR FEELINGS,
THIRD GENERATION OF YAMI, LILITH-SAMA.
CHAPTER 3 ***FINISH***

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